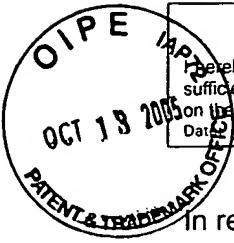


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Frederik P. Venter et al.

Appln. No.: 10/536,536

Filed: May 26, 2005

For: Monitoring of Shock Absorbers

Attorney Docket No: 12857/3

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: Unassigned

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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Attached is/are:

Response to Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US); Copy of Notice to File Missing Requirements; executed Power of Attorney; Executed Declaration for Patent Application; Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet and Executed Assignment; and Check in the amount of \$65.

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Fee calculation:

No additional fee is required.

Small Entity.

An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$65 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(h).

An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

|   | Claims Remaining After Amendment | Minus | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Small Entity |           | Not a Small Entity |          |           |
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Fee payment:

A check in the amount of \$65 is enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

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Respectfully submitted,

Kader Gacem (Reg. No. 52,474)



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**371 FORMALITIES LETTER**



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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/26/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/26/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 05/26/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/26/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/26/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 05/26/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/26/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/26/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 05/26/2005
- Specification filed on 05/26/2005
- Claims filed on 05/26/2005
- Drawings filed on 05/26/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

- \$65 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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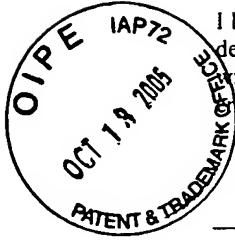
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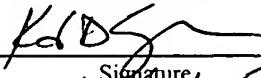
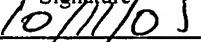
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office dated September 2, 2005, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:

Fully executed Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney for the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant:

claims small entity status. See 37 CFR1.27.

is other than small entity

Check in the amount of \$65 for:

Filing Fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

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Additional Claim Fees of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Search Fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Examination Fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Application Size Fee (for each additional 50 sheets that exceeds 100 sheets, including specification and drawings) of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Petition for Extension of Time (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)) to file missing parts (in duplicate).

Other: Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet and Executed Assignment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 11, 2005

  
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